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SUBJECT: VISIT OF STATE/INS TEAM ON DETAINEE PROGRAM

1. TEAM OF THOMAS BROBSON (INS), JUDITH CHAVCHAVADZE (HA) AND SUE PATTERSON (VO) VISITED BUENOS AIRES APRIL 2-7 TO WORK OUT PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR A PROGRAM OF PAROLING INTO THE UNITED STATES ARGENTINE DETAINEES WHO MAY BE GRANTED THE OPTION OF LEAVING THE COUNTRY. IN ADDITION TO EXTENSIVE CONSULTATION WITH ALL CONCERNED ELEMENTS OF THE COUNTRY TEAM, VISITORS CALLED ON FONOFF (ARLIA), MINISTRY OF INTERIOR (HEAD OF POLICE DIVISION AND SUB SECRETARY IN SEPERATE CALLS), AS WELL AS UNHCR AND ICEM. OUR ASSESSMENT OF THIS VISIT IS THAT IT HAS BEEN INDISPENSIBLE IN RESTORING SOME MOMENTUM TO THE RIGHT OF OPTION PROGRAM AND TOWARDS OVERCOMING A VARIETY OF PROCEDURAL OBSTACLES WHICH HAD APPEARED TO THE PROCESSING OF POTENTIAL APPLICANTS. THE POSTS OBJECTIVES FOR THE TEAM WITH THE GOA WERE TO OBTAIN GOA AGREEMENT TO ICEM ACTING AS CENTRAL ADMINISTRATOR, AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE
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INFORMATION ON PRIOR CRIMINAL RECORDS OR OTHER GROUNDS OF INELIGIBILITY AND TENTATIVE AGREEMENT TO DO SOME PRESCREENING OF POTENTIAL APPLICANTS TO INDICATE TO US WHICH OF THEM MAY HAVE REASONABLE CHANCE OF BEING GRANTED RIGHT OF OPTION. TEAM WAS SUCCESSFUL ON THESE POINTS WELL BEYOND OUR EXPECTATIONS. WE ARE FAR FROM HAVING WORKED ALL THE BUGS OUT OF THE

PROCEDURES, BUT MAJOR PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE.
AMBASSADOR WILL BE SEEING MINISTER OF INTERIOR SOON
UPON LATTERS RETURN FROM EXTENDED TRAVELS AND
WILL PRESS HARD FOR HIM TO INVITE ICEM TO ASSUME
ROLE SIMILAR TO THAT IT HAS IN CHILEAN PROGRAM.
INTERNALLY, TEAM WORKED OUT EXCELLENT SET OF PROPOSED
GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA FOR APPLICANTS AND WE NOW
HAVE OUTLINES OF PROCEDURES WHICH WILL BE FOLLOWED.

2. TEAM HAS REQUESTED AND POST APPROVED TDY VISIT
OF VICE CONSUL BRIAN BLOOD TO RIO WITH TEAM
TO EXPLAIN BUENOS AIRES PROCEDURES IN EXISTING
REFUGEE PROGRAM.

3. EMBASSY MOST PLEASED AT OUTSTANDING SUCCESS
OF TEAMS EFFORTS; ALL MEMBERS MERIT COMMENDATION.
WE WOULD AROUSE FALSE HOPES, HOWEVER, IF WE WERE
TO LEAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE
TO PROCESS SIGNIFICANT NUMBERS OF DETAINEE
APPLICANTS IN A SHORT PERIOD. LOCAL SITUATION IS
PERHAPS SOMEWHAT MORE DIFFICULT TO OPERATE IN THAN
WAS CHILE, WHERE WE UNDERSTOOD ICEM REQUIRED
SEVEN MONTHS TO WORK OUT PRACTICAL PROGRAM WITH
GOC. WE HOPE THAT SUCH A DELAY IS NOT LIKELY HERE,
BUT WE ARE A LONG WAY FROM HAVING FIRM AGREEMENT
WITH GOA ON ALL DETAILS OF A PRACTICAL DETAINEE
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